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FM AMEMBASSY VIENTIANE

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AMEMBASSY BANGKOK

C O N F I D E N T I A L VIENTIANE 4505

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PINS, PFOR, LA

SUBJECT: INCIDENT INVOLVING PATHET LAO AT U.S.

COMPOUND

1. AT ABOUT 11:30 THIS MORNING SOME 12 PATHET LAO SOLDIERS APPEARED AT THE GATE OF THE AID HOUSING COMPOUND 6 KILOMETERS OUTSIDE VIENTIANE. THEY TOLD THE PRIVATE LAO GUARD AT THE GATE THAT THEY WANTED TO INSPECT THE COMPOUND FOR "FOREIGN TROOPS." THE GUARD TOLD THEM HE COULD NOT LET THEM IN WITHOUT AUTHORITY FROM US EMBASSY, AND CALLED EMBASSY WHICH IMMEDIATELY SENT SECURITY OFFICER. BEFORE HE ARRIVED, PATHET LAO LEFT FOR THEIR BASE WHICH IS TWO KILOMETERS BEHIND COMPOUND. SECURITY OFFICER CAUGHT UP WITH THEM AND ASKED WHAT THEY WERE LOOKING FOR AND ON WHAT AUTHORITY THEY WERE MAKING THEIR SEARCH. PATHET LAO SOLDIERS WAVED HIM AWAY INDICATING THAT THEY HAD NO AUTHORITY FOR THIS INITIATIVE. THE SOLDIERS WORE THE RED ARMS PATCH OF THE PROTECTIVE MILITARY FORCES (PMF).

2. AS REPORTED BY VIENTIANE'S 2687, THE REGULATIONS GOVERNING THE ACTIVITIES OF PMF IN THE 15-KM BUFFER  
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ZONE AROUND VIENTIANE DO NOT PROVIDE FOR UNILATERAL

INSPECTION THEREIN BY THE FORCES OF ONE SIDE. AS IN  
THE CASE OF OTHER BODIES CREATED BY THE LAOS AGREEMENT,  
PMF HQ CAN ONLY CARRY OUT INSPECTIONS AFTER JOINT  
CONSENT OF BOTH PARTIES.

3.AMBASSADOR MENTIONED THIS INCIDENT TO PRIME  
MINISTER THIS AFTERNOON. PM REPEATED THAT THIS KIND  
OF PATROLLING BY PL FORCES WAS NOT PERMISSIBLE AND  
STATED THAT HE WOULD RAISE THIS MATTER WITH FONMIN  
PHOUMI.  
WHITEHOUSE

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